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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S PRESS CONFERENCE ON ARRIVAL IN  
CARACAS-AUGUST 12, 1977

FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPTION OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S ARRIVAL  
STATEMENT AND PRESS CONFERENCE AT SIMON BOLIVAR INTERNATIONAL  
AIRPORT.

Q. (IN SPANISH) IN LATIN AMERICA THERE ARE ALMOST TWENTH  
COUNTRIES, CERTAIN FEW OF WHICH HAVE LEGITIMATELY ELECTED  
GOVERNMENTS. THE REST OF THEM ARE MILITARY DICTATORSHIPS.  
MANY OF THEM OPPRESS THEIR PEOPLE ECONOMICALLY, FEDERALLY  
AND PHYSICALLY. CAN THE US, THROUGH ITS POLICY OF RESPECT  
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS, DO ANYTHING TO ALLEVIATE THIS SITUATION?

A. I THINK WE CAN DO A LOT AND I THINK ALREADY WE SEE SOME  
CHANGES. THERE IS A SENSE IN WHICH THE SITUATION THROUGHOUT  
LATIN AMERICA WAS CONTRIBUTED TO BY THE  
US GOVERNMENT.....I THINK THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION IS MUCH  
MORE PRO-DEMOCRACY THAN ANTI-COMMUNIST BUT I THINK  
THE RESPECT THAT WE HAVE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND FOR HUMAN  
DIGNITY WILL BEGIN TO ENCOURAGE CHANGE. A NUMBER OF  
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LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES HAVE ANNOUNCED THAT THEY ARE GOING  
TO HAVE FREE ELECTIONS IN THE NEAR FUTURE. ....WE REALLY  
HAVE TO GO--THERE WILL BE TIME TO MEET WITH THE  
PRESS. END OF REMARKS.  
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